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13 14 15	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA	
16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23	MEGAN SCHMITT, DEANA REILLY, CAROL ORLOWSKY, and STEPHANIE MILLER BRUN, individually and on behalf of themselves and all others similarly situated,  Plaintiffs,  V.  YOUNIQUE, LLC, Defendant.	Case No. 8:17-cv-01397-JVS-JDE  DECLARATION OF ADAM GONNELLI IN SUPPORT OF PLAINTIFFS' MOTION FOR CLASS CERTIFICATION  Filed Concurrently with Plaintiffs' Notice of Motion and Motion for Class Certification, Declaration of Donald M. May, Declaration of Bonner Walsh, and [Proposed] Order
23 24 25 26 27		Complaint Filed: 8/17/17 Trial Date: 2/19/19

- I, Adam Gonnelli, hereby declare:
- 1. I am a partner of the Sultzer Law Group, P.C., counsel for Plaintiffs Megan Schmitt, Deana Reilly, Carol Orlowsky, and Stephanie Miller Brun in the above-captioned matter.
- 2. I have personal knowledge of the facts stated below. If called upon to do so, I could and would competently testify thereto.
- 3. I submit this declaration in support of Plaintiffs' Motion for Class Certification.
- 4. The Sultzer Law Group focuses on complex civil litigation, including consumer class actions, many of which involve on-label misrepresentations about food and beverage ingredients. Since the firm's founding in 2013, we have acted as lead counsel in numerous high-profile consumer fraud and false advertising class actions. For instance, we recently acted as lead counsel in the prosecution of the following representative consumer class actions:
  - Vincent, Wesley, et al. v People Against Dirty, PBC. and Method Products, PBC., (S.D.N.Y. 7:16-cv-06936) (served as co-lead counsel and obtained a settlement fund of \$2.8 million on behalf of a national class of consumers who purchased cleaning products deceptively marketed as "Natural")
  - Run Them Sweet, LLC v. CPA Global, Ltd., et al, (United States District Court Eastern District of Virginia 1:16-cv-1347) (obtained a settlement fund of \$5.6 million on behalf of consumers who were overcharged with respect to foreign patent renewal services)
  - Rapoport-Hecht, Tziva et al. v. Seventh Generation, Inc. (S.D.N.Y. 14-cv-9087) (served as co-lead counsel and obtained a settlement fund of \$4.5 million on behalf of a national class of consumers who purchased cleaning products deceptively marketed as "Natural")
  - Foster, Andrew Tyler et al. v. L-3 Communications EOTECH, Inc., et al.

- (United States District Court Western District of Missouri 15-cv-03519) (obtained millions of dollars in monetary relief for consumers who purchased falsely advertised holographic weapons sights)
- Davenport, Sumner, et al. v. Discover Financial Services, et al. (United States District Court for the Northern District of Illinois 15-cv-06052) (served as co-lead counsel and obtained a settlement fund of \$5.6 million for victims of violations of the Telephone Consumer Protection Act)
- Baumgarten v. Cleanwell, LLC, (E.D.N.Y. 1:16-cv-01780) (obtained injunctive relief on behalf of a national class of consumers against company that deceptively marked cleaning products as "Natural")
- Nicotra, Jennifer et al. v. Babo Botanicals, LLC (E.D.N.Y. 16-cv-00296) (obtained injunctive relief on behalf of a national class of consumers against company that deceptively marked skin and haircare products as "Natural")
- *Mayhew, Tanya, et al., v. KAS Direct, LLC and S.C. Johnson & Son, Inc.* (*S.D.N.Y. 16- cv-6981*) (preliminary approval pending for a proposed \$2.2 million settlement fund on behalf of a national class of consumers who purchased baby products deceptively marketed as "Natural")
- 5. Sultzer Law is headquartered in New York, and maintains offices in New Jersey, and Pennsylvania. The firm is included in Martindale-Hubbell's Bar Register of Preeminent Lawyers for its class action practice. Jason Sultzer and Joseph Lipari are AV rated by Martindale-Hubbell and have been selected as Super Lawyers. The firm's class action practice has been featured in numerous publications, including Law360, Inside Counsel Magazine, Risk Management Magazine, and CNBC News. In addition, the attorneys within the firm have written and lectured extensively on class action practice.

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- 6. Attached hereto as Exhibit 1 is a true and accurate copy of the Rough Transcript of the July 27, 2018 Deposition of Vrena Ranallo.
- 7. Attached hereto as Exhibit 2 is a true and accurate copy of a website capture of Younique.com from August 2013.
- Attached hereto as Exhibit 3 is a true and accurate copy of a website 8. capture of Younique.com from August 2014.
- 9. Attached hereto as Exhibit 4 is a true and accurate copy of a document Plaintiffs believe Younique sent to its sales force prior to October 2014.
- 10. Attached hereto as Exhibit 5 is a true and accurate copy of Bates YNQE0000345 produced by Defendant in discovery.
- Attached hereto as Exhibit 6 is a true and accurate copy of Bates 11. YNQE0000994 produced by Defendant in discovery.
- Attached hereto as Exhibit 7 is a true and accurate copy of Bates 12. YNQE0000731 produced by Defendant in discovery.
- Attached hereto as Exhibit 8 is a true and accurate copy of Bates 13. YNQE0001240 produced by Defendant in discovery.
- Attached hereto as Exhibit 9 is a true and accurate copy of Bates 14. YNQE0001014 – YNQE0001019 produced by Defendant in discovery.
- 15. Attached hereto as Exhibit 10 is a true and accurate copy of the Transcript of the June 27, 2018 Deposition of Plaintiff Deanna Reilly.
- 16. Attached hereto as Exhibit 11 is a true and accurate copy of the Transcript of the June 25, 2018 Deposition of Plaintiff Stephanie Miller Brun.
- Attached hereto as Exhibit 12 is a true and accurate copy of the 17. Transcript of the June 26, 2018 Deposition of Carol Orlowsky.
- 18. Attached hereto as Exhibit 13 is a true and accurate copy of the Rough Transcript of the July 27, 2018 Deposition of Megan Schmitt.

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2	of the Sultzer Law Group, P.C.	
3	20.	Attached hereto as Exhibit 15 is a true and accurate copy of the resume
4	of Nye Peabody Stirling Hale & Miller, LLP.	
5	21.	Attached hereto as Exhibit 16 is a true and accurate copy of Bates
6	YNQE0002967-0002970 produced by Defendant in discovery.	
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